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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPLEMENTING POINT-TO-MULTIPOINT COMMUNICATIONS OVER A CONNECTION-BASED DATA COMMUNICATION NETWORK  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

**REMARKS**

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated 25 May 2006.

As a result of the Amendment filed 22 March 2006, claims 1-9, 11, 12, 18, 23-25, 27-31, 36-38 and 41-49 are pending in this application.

**Allowable Subject Matter**

Claims 8 and 18 are allowed.

**Compliance with 35 U.S.C. §112**

The Office Action raises 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, in connection with claims 1, 36, 41 and 45. The Applicant submits that the specification, as originally filed, clearly demonstrates that the Applicant was in possession of the invention recited in claims 1, 36, 41 and 45.